

THE PRESIDENT'S TASK FORCE ON 21ST CENTURY POLICING

William “Bill” Johnson

William “Bill” Johnson serves as Executive Director of the National Association of Police Organizations, Inc. (“NAPO”).

In 1995, Johnson was appointed as NAPO’s first General Counsel. In January 2002, Johnson became NAPO’s Executive Director. He also continues to serve as legal counsel to the Association.

Johnson, 51, is a former law enforcement officer and prosecutor, having served with a small police department in Maine, and, after attending law school, the Miami, Florida State Attorney’s Office. Among other crimes, Johnson was responsible for prosecuting drug trafficking, armed robbery, non-death-penalty homicide, and aggravated child abuse cases. Johnson also served as the designated prosecutor for the Office for cases involving mentally ill defendants, where competency and/or sanity claims were in issue. Johnson has also served as a law clerk to an Article I federal judge; a basic civil law teacher for inmates nearing release at a men’s correctional institution; and an instructor for both Miami area police academies and for new prosecutors at the State Attorney’s Office.

A native of Chicago, Johnson received his undergraduate degree in organizational behavior and management from Brown University, and his law degree from Georgetown University. Johnson is also a graduate of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy.

The National Association of Police Organizations represents some 1,000 professional police associations and units and 241,000 sworn officers throughout the United States. NAPO serves its members through the advancement of federal legislation and policy, legal advocacy, and education.